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1. THE COVER PLAN FOR THIS OPERATION IS THAT THE EDWARDS AFB TEST FLIGHT CENTER IS CONDUCTING CERTAIN CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT TESTS AND EVALUATIONS OF THE U-2 AIRCRAFT AT MC COY AFB IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THEIR SUITABILITY UNDER CLIMATIC CONDITIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE EXISTING AT MC COY AFB. DEPLOYED MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL USE THEIR TRUE RANK AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ALL PERSONNEL WILL CARRY ORDERS AUTHORIZING THEIR TDY TO MCCOY FROM THE EDWARDS AFB FLIGHT TEST CENTER.

2. ALL PRESS INQUIRIES RELATING TO THE PRESENCE OF THE U-2R SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, OFFICE OF INFORMATION AND NO STATEMENTS REGARDING THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE U-2 AND THE U-2R WILL BE MADE DURING THE DEPLOYMENT AT MC COY AFB WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE IN COORDINATION WITH PROJECT HEADQUARTERS.

3. POSSIBLE CONTINGENCIES: IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY

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SITUATION DURING THE FERRY FLIGHT AND WHILE AT MC COY AFB, THE PILOT WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS A LAC TEST PILOT ON A ROUTINE TEST FLIGHT FROM EDWARDS AFB ENGAGED IN CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT TESTS. NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED PRIOR TO COORDINATION WITH PROJECT HEADQUARTERS.

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